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**Subject:** RE: CONFIDENTIAL - Anaconda Aluminum / Columbia Falls Aluminum Company

Thanks Joe,

I appreciate the information. I look forward to working with everyone. Please feel free to contact me at any time, although I am on Use or Lose starting tomorrow and won't be back until after January 6<sup>th</sup>. I will continue to check emails and such. If something is urgent please let me know.

Mike

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Hi, Mike:

Thank you for your willingness to accept the RPM role for the Anaconda Aluminum site (Columbia Falls Aluminum Co.) in Columbia Falls, Montana. I am copying some of the rest of the team to let them know you have been assigned to the site. Some of the contacts are as follows:

Rob Parker, EPA Site Assessment Manager (Denver) 303.312.6664  
Victor Ketellapper, EPA Site Assessment Team Leader (Denver) 303.312.6578  
Julie DalSoglio, EPA Montana Office Director (Helena) 406.457.5025  
Mark Chalfant, EPA Legal Enforcement (Denver) 303.312.6177  
Cynthia Peterson, EPA Community Involvement Coordinator (Denver) 303.312.6879  
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Jenny Chambers, Montana DEQ, Administrator, Remediation Division (Helena) 406.841.5001  
Denise Martin, Montana DEQ, Site Response Section Supervisor (Helena), 406.841.5060  
Bill Kirley, Montana DEQ, Chief Remediation Counsel (Denver) 406.841.5017

Rob or Victor can probably give you the best information on NPL timelines. They will be working on moving the site toward NPL proposal sometime in the next 6 months to a year. Rob and Victor have asked the state for a governor's

letter supporting listing the site in January 2015. The initial goal was to propose the site in the spring of 2015, but that may have to be pushed back to the fall. I have attached some correspondence about the site to inform you about recent activities. Rob has also put some general information and the Site Reassessment Report on the web at:  
<http://www2.epa.gov/region8/columbia-falls-aluminum-reduction-plant>.

Montana DEQ has not yet assigned a State Project Officer, but will likely do so when the site is proposed or whenever we initiate enforcement activities. I anticipate that you will be working with Mark and Scott on those enforcement activities over the next several months to identify and provide notice to PRPs and hopefully initiate negotiations for RI/FS. If the PRPs are cooperative, it is possible that we could be close to an AOC for RI/FS by the end of the fiscal year.

That's about the best I can do for a schedule at this time. You will have to work with the team to further develop plans for moving forward with the site. Thank you again for accepting the site assignment. I look forward to working with you on this project. Please let me know if you have any questions or if you require additional information.

Happy Holidays!

Joe

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